

The Daily Tar Heel

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Harry Bryan, Editor

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We hate to see you leaving, Joe

At Thursday night's budget meeting of Student Legislature, conservative Joe Beard made his fourth—and probably final—attempt at having Daily Tar Heel funds cut off.

In the spring of 1969, he proposed in Student Legislature to have the DTH left out of the budget, getting only his own vote after an impassioned plea to cut the DTH's water off.

In the spring of 1970, he made the same proposal and tripled his strength by persuading three other legislators to go along with him.

Of course Joe went all out last spring when the Committee for a Free Press, of which he was one of the ring leaders, worked to have

funding cut off by means of a student body referendum. They lost by more than 3700 votes though, 4817 to 1078.

Then Thursday night he almost made it. After he laughingly made his speech, he managed to pull 13 others with him, and due to the fact that many liberal legislators had already gone home, almost pulled it off.

This year will be Joe's last in Chapel Hill. He is a third year law student and will be graduating.

We'll honestly hate to see him go. Every group needs a victory once in a while. And Joe Beard has provided the DTH with four victories in the past three years.

Awards of the week

Perry Mason of the Week—to Legislator Joe Beard who led the campaign to cut legal counsel for the student body. Joe, a law student himself, knows those guys aren't worth the prices they charge.

The "Keep The Baby, Faith" Award—to the North Carolina General Assembly for killing an abortion bill that would have left abortion decisions to mother and doctor.

The Just-Because-There's-Snow-on-the-Roof-Doesn't-Mean-There's-Not-a-Fire-in-the-Furnace Award—to 68 year-old Strom Thurmond, senator from South Carolina, who became the father of a baby girl this week.

The Stand By Your Man Award—to Strom's 22 year-old wife.

The Party of the Week—to Joe Stallings' inauguration ceremony, announced in the Daily Tar Heel

with the notation, "The entire student body is invited to attend." Unfortunately, only 50 showed up. Maybe Joe should have said he was offering milk and cookies.

Unimaginative Thinking Award—to the Hub clothing store for naming its mod shop "103 East." We think they should call it "The Hubcap."

The Squeezing Out the Cash Award—to the APO, which managed to auction off a baby boa constrictor for \$22.

The Strike Out Sweet Suds Award—to the Budweiser Brewery, which is re-running its super-patriotic "Swing Out Sweet Land" t.v. special.

The "What Did You Say?" Award—to the UNC Faculty Council, which discussed the problem of noise pollution in Chapel Hill Friday afternoon—and was interrupted by a blaring rock band playing in the Pit.

The Women Drivers of the Week—to the two 10 year-old girls who were allowed to enter the Fayetteville Soap Box Derby after threatening sponsor General Motors with a lawsuit.

The Stork with a Zip Code Tatoo Award—to the company offering pregnancy tests through the mail—er, that's mail—in the DTH classifieds.

The Great Enlightenment of the Week—to the following conversation overheard during Student Legislature budget debate: Rookie legislator Lanny Shuff: "... this is known as the conspiracy of Legal Minds Doctrine."

Veteran politico Charlie Dean: "Horse — Law students sit down." Shuff: "This is an insult. Do we usually conduct business in this way?"

Dean: "Is this your first meeting?"

Ken Ripley

Soul Food: Spring is rebirth

Spring is the time for holidays and festivals, beautiful weather and the growing lushness of nature revived. As the grass turns green, the flowers begin to bloom, and the trees sprout leaves, it seems only natural that we reaffirm the sheer joy of living.

Classes were all we had during the dreary winter, but now they're prisons. It's much more fun to be outside, lying in the sun or taking a walk with your girlfriend.

Spring is the appropriate season for Easter. It's easy to think a lot about death when you walk across the barren and dismal campus in the winter twilight. But when nature begins to stir itself, I know I get a sense of "rebirth," of new life. Somehow New Year's Day doesn't belong in January, in the middle of winter. It belongs in spring, with spring's fresh beginning.

New life. Life arising out of death. These are the very themes of Christianity's most significant holiday. If the ordinary passing of seasons involves a miracle of creation, no less miraculous and wonderful is the miracle of the man who died only to conquer death.

The essential cornerstone of the New Testament is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The central thrust of the four Gospel accounts is that 2,000 years ago a man made spectacular claims about his relationship to God, was prosecuted by the Jewish authorities, crucified by the Romans, buried in a sepulchre, and

proved his claims by returning to life.

The Gospel writers make it plain they are dealing not with any symbolism or allegory, but with history. The idea that Jesus is a "Savior," a "ransom for many," the essential link between God and man, is nonsense if he didn't do what the Bible says he did. Biblical Christianity would then be reduced to speculative theology, its truth depending on the persuasiveness of its advocates.

But the early Christians were convinced that Jesus had risen from the grave and conquered death. The truth of the resurrection was the bedrock of their preaching. When Jesus was on trial, one of his closest disciples, Peter, denied three times he even knew Jesus. Yet only a short time after the resurrection, Peter began the spread of Christianity, saying, "This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. . . . Let all the house of Israel therefore know assuredly that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Paul, who had been one of Christianity's most ardent opponents, later wrote the Corinthians, "For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures."

Paul spread the Gospel of the resurrected Savior who

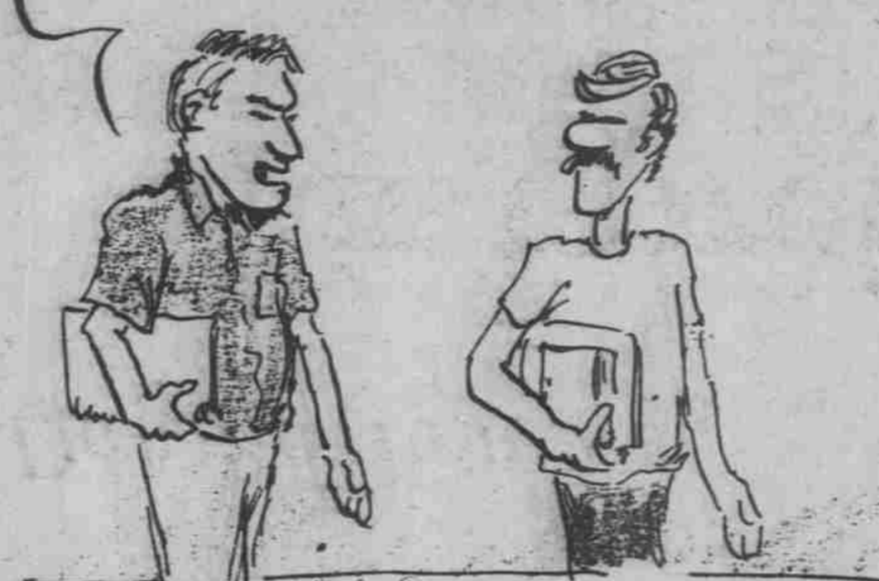
offers man new life with God throughout the Roman world. Many believed the fantastic account and became Christians. Others echoed the same skepticism we hear today. "Now when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked," the Bible records.

As Christians throughout the world celebrate Easter tomorrow, remembering the resurrection, we still find the same situation that existed 2,000 years ago. The resurrection has happened, and the "good news" of Jesus Christ is still being preached by those who are convinced that his life and claims are for real. Men are still asked to consider the claims of Jesus Christ, his life and resurrection. And we still have the choice to mock or believe the testimony of Christians.

But one thing that makes the resurrection so wonderful for the Christians who will celebrate it is that through the resurrection of Jesus all men can have new life in a relationship with God. "Therefore, if any one is in Christ, he is a new creation," Paul wrote. "The old has passed away, behold, the new has come." If this sounds vague, many of those who have become Christians will testify that God is real and active in their lives. For them, the new has come.

All of us who glory in life are able to celebrate the arrival of spring. The Christians who celebrate Easter tomorrow will be celebrating the most wonderful life of all.

ONE THING I'VE LEARNED IN COLLEGE IS TO EXERCISE FISCAL RESTRAINT.



GREAT! I GOT A CHECK FROM HOME!



AH, YOU'RE SAVED

RIGHT NOW, I CAN'T EVEN AFFORD TO DO MY LAUNDRY OR BUY MY TEXTBOOKS, BECAUSE I'VE SQUANDERED MY MONEY.



BUT NOW I'VE LEARNED MY LESSON.

I'M GONNA GO BUY SOME BEER! THEN I'M GOING TO THE BEACH! WHAT A TIME! HOO-BOY!



WHAT ABOUT THE LAUNDRY?

Dan Barlow

I ain't prejudiced but...

(Editor's Note: The following article was written for a creative writing class assignment. We feel the essay has something to say to the students on campus and present it here for our readers.)

One of the troubles with the University of North Carolina is the large number of bigoted people who get in.

Every time I turn around I run into another bigot. They're worse than the Chinks (and almost as bad as the Niggers). It has reached the point where anyone with a fairly good scholastic record can get into the University, and I should know—there are two Jews in my suite.

They'll take anyone, and that includes bigots.

A few weeks ago a stranger was explaining to me the plight of the Negro

in America. The next day I saw him in a mob, stoning an American Indian. This is a popular form of bigotry, sympathy to one ethnic group, while not giving the time of day to another. As far as I am concerned, if you hate the Wops, you're no better for loving the Spics.

Don't kid yourself about bigotry—there's plenty of it here. I, personally, have a hangup about touching the skin of a black person (afraid the color will rub off, I guess), but I am not a bigot. I watched about eight or ten guys in a circle, showing some poor Chink around. What did it accomplish? Was it fun? Sure, I got a few laughs out of it, but later on I felt pretty bad. It's so senseless—I mean, how would you like to be a Chink?

Did you ever think of that? Probably not.

The solution to this problem of bigotry on campus is twofold. First we must remove the bigots who already have managed to gain entry to the University.

One suggestion along these lines has been a mass crucifixion. A milder answer would be to send the bigots to the Middle East and forget about them.

Secondly, we must prevent bigotry from entering our lifestyles in the future. Bigotry may be prevented either by keeping out bigots (which certainly would be a difficult task, considering the bigot's cleverness in concealing his bigotry), or by keeping out the Indians, blacks, Spics, etc.

The latter definitely is within the realm of possibilities, since anyone (even a Polack) can tell a Spic or a Chink when he sees one.

In either case, we must act now, before the problem gets out of hand.

Letters

Comment on Calley verdict

To the Editor:

The conviction of Lt. Calley for murdering Vietnamese citizens has created a great deal of controversy and has brought forth an emotional reaction throughout the nation in protest.

Regardless of public sympathy for Lt. Calley as an individual and for the situation in which he was placed, those who criticize the conviction should be aware of several things. 1. The killing of non-combatant civilians is a crime, even during war time. 2. Soldiers have a duty to refuse to obey illegal orders. 3. The fact that Lt. Calley may have been ordered to kill civilians is not a defense to the crime of which he was convicted.

One aspect of the controversy that has received little comment thus far has been the action of President Nixon. When it became apparent that public sympathy was running with Calley, Nixon, the political opportunist, immediately seized this chance to move up a few notches on the popularity polls. Since Nixon, arguably, is ultimately responsible for Lt. Calley's crime, at least in the sense that he failed to exercise presidential initiative to end the war, his declaration that he will review the conviction is not only judicially premature, but also politically hypocritical.

When Nixon ordered Calley freed from prison and stated that he would personally review the case, was he truly motivated by humanitarian considerations? Of course not. Would Nixon have taken the same action if public opinion had been against Calley? Again, I doubt it; Nixon is too clever to do something that clumsy.

The grounds on which Calley might base an appeal is an error in his trial. If it is ultimately found that Calley did intentionally murder Vietnamese citizens, a political pardon by President Nixon would make a mockery of military justice and condone the type of behavior that is so fundamentally contrary to the principles which we are supposedly defending in Southeast Asia.

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Letters

The Daily Tar Heel accepts letters to the editor, provided they are typed on a 60-space line and limited to a maximum of 300 words. All letters must be signed and the address and phone number of the writer must be included.

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Bob Arrington

Student funds should go to cultural groups

The funding of what have been termed "cultural" groups—including the band, choir and debate team—was certain to produce a floor fight during the current SL budget sessions.

Opponents of funding these groups maintain the administration, not Student Government, should finance cultural activities.

Perhaps there is some validity to this argument. Perhaps the administration indeed has an interest in such student activities. But if so, the student body has a still greater interest in them.

Each of the groups in question is a bonafide student organization. They are composed of students and run primarily for the benefit of students. In some cases, as with the undergraduate

assistants in the Marching Band, students actually determine a large part of the organization's activity.

It seems only logical that these organizations serving the student body be funded by fees collected from that body.

Where else might we spend the money saved by denying funds to cultural activities? The Black Student Movement, already in the budget for 6800 dollars, could siphon off some of the money. Another possibility is ECOS. Still another is that SL follow the suggestion made last semester by Tommy Bello and set up a special fund for doling out money to various groups upon the president's discretion.

None of these options justifies removing the money from the band, choir or debate team.

The BSM already has its share of funds, almost \$7000. That should be sufficient.

As for ECOS, much of its work has been, and will continue to be, done off-campus. As such, ECOS has benefited the student body only indirectly. The rationale for furnishing such an organization with student-collected fees is very tenuous indeed. The chief criterion for deciding whether or not to fund a group should be that group's contributions to the students who pay the fees. In that respect, ECOS just doesn't "come up to snuff."

There is nothing wrong with restructuring the

environment. It is a worthy project, and ECOS can hit me for a (modest) contribution anytime they want. But I object—as all student should object—to using money taxed from me to financing Student Legislature's favorite charities.

And as for the third possibility—well, that gets the axe, too. The system's dangers of degenerating onto a presidential slush fund are too great for it to be tried.

Meanwhile, the Marching Band makes do with moth-eaten uniforms and uses Army rejects for instruments. (That's right; many of the instruments are war surplus.) The debate team struggles to maintain a nationally-ranked program with a shoestring budget.

To remove money from the band's budget in order to sponsor an environmental charity might earn the plaudits of Ed Muskie, but it wouldn't do the students any good. A move to cut the debate team to add to BSM might similarly win grandstand sympathy but would serve but to slash one without really helping the other.

If SL cuts funds for campus cultural organizations, it will have demonstrated that it is hopelessly out of touch with the students on this campus. Support of these groups, on the other hand, will be a step toward renewed credibility and genuine responsiveness. I trust the wiser heads in SL will argue for the latter course.